





## State Water Resources Control Board

March 22, 2017

(Via email and Certified Mail)
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Mr. Gopal Nair Environmental Specialist Alameda County Water District 43885 South Grimmer Boulevard Fremont, California 94538 gopal.nair@acwd.com

SUBJECT:

NOTICE OF VIOLATION; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEM

LOCATED AT ALAMEDA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TREATMENT PLANT #2.

42436 MISSION BOULEVARD, FREMONT

Dear Mr. Nair:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board staff inspected the UST at your facility on March 9, 2017, pursuant to authority under Health and Safety Code (H&SC), chapter 6.7, section 25289.

The State Water Board has identified the following violations pursuant to H&SC, chapter 6.7, and California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 23, chapter 16:

No.	Violation	Tank	Start Date	Stop Date	Regulation
1	Failure to Maintain Operating Permit On-Site – The operating permit for the emergency generator tank was not available at the time of inspection.	Emergency Generator	March 9, 2017	Ongoing	23 CCR 2712(i)
2	Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility – The Chief Financial Officer letter in CERS expired on December 4, 2015, and is required to be renewed annually.	Emergency Generator	December 5, 2015	Ongoing	H&SC 25292.2
3	Failure to Perform Designated Officer (DO) Inspection – The monthly DO inspection for December 2016 was not available at the time of inspection.	Emergency Generator	December 1, 2016	December 31, 2016	23 CCR 2715(c)

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4	Failure to Maintain Spill Containment Requirements – The diesel spill containment had approximately 3 inches of liquid, which prevents its ability to hold five gallons.	Emergency Generator	March 9, 2017	Ongoing	23 CCR 2635(b)(1)

You are directed to correct the ongoing violations and submit compliance documentation to the State Water Board and Fremont City Fire Department of within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Have your DO make specific notations in the next monthly DO report indicating the ongoing violations have been corrected. The monthly DO report and any associated photos must be submitted as proof of compliance.

Please send all compliance documentation to the following:

## **State Water Board**

Mr. Joseph Lovesee
UST Enforcement Unit
Office of Enforcement
State Water Resources Control Board
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## **Local CUPA**

Mr. Jay Swardenski
Fire Marshal
Fremont City Fire Department
300 Capitol Avenue, Building A
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Pursuant to Health and Safety Code, chapter 6.7, section 25299, the owner and operator of the tank(s) are liable for a penalty of \$500 to \$5,000 per tank, per day of violation. These penalties will continue to accrue until the violations have been corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5551, or by email at amantha.henkel@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Amantha Henkel

Senior Environmental Scientist

**UST Enforcement Unit** 

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cc: See next page.

cc: (via email only)

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